

Please add claims 37-40 as follows:

--37. The process of claim 31 wherein the DNA probe is:

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| 10<br>CCCATGGATT  | 20<br>TGAAGATACA  | 30<br>CATAAAGAAA  | 40<br>TACTGATGTG  | 50<br>GAAGTTTGAT  | 60<br>AGATCTCTAG  |
| 70<br>GCAACACCCA  | 80<br>TGTTGCTATG  | 90<br>ATAACTCACC  | 100<br>CAGAGCTCTT | 110<br>CCAGAAGGAC | 120<br>TAAAAACTGC |
| 130<br>TGACCTGAAG | 140<br>ATTGCTGACA | 150<br>CTGTGGAAGT | 160<br>TTCCAGCAAA | 170<br>GACTGCTGAC | 180<br>ACTGCGGGGA |
| 190<br>CTTTCAGTG  | 200<br>GGAGGGACAG | 210<br>GGGGCGGTTC | 220<br>GGGGAGTGGC | 230<br>TAACCCTCAG | 240<br>AAGCTGCATA |
| 250<br>TAAGCAGCCG | 260<br>CTTCTGCTT  | 270<br>GTACCGGGTC | 280<br>TCGGTTAGAG | 290<br>GACCAGGTCT | 300<br>GAGCCCGGGA |
| 310<br>GCTCCCTGGC | 320<br>CTCTAGCTGA | 330<br>ACCCGCTCGT | 340<br>TAACGCTCAA | 350<br>TAAAGCTTGC | 360<br>CTTGAGTGAG |

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or the complement thereof.

38. The process of claim 31 wherein the DNA probe is:

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| 10<br>AACATGGGAA  | 20<br>ACGCATTGAG  | 30<br>AAAAGGTAAA  | 40<br>TTTGAGGGAT  | 50<br>GGGCAGCAGT  | 60<br>AAGAGAAAGA  |
| 70<br>ATGAGAAGAA  | 80<br>CTAGAACTTT  | 90<br>CCCTGAGTCT  | 100<br>GAACCATGCG | 110<br>CACCTGGAGT | 120<br>AGGACAGATC |
| 130<br>TCCAGGGAAT | 140<br>TAGCAGCTAG | 150<br>AGGAGGGATA | 160<br>CCAAGTTCCC | 170<br>ATACTCCTCA | 180<br>AAACAATGCA |
| 190<br>GCCCTTGCAT | 200<br>TCCTAGAAAG | 210<br>TCACCAAGAG | 220<br>GAAGAAGTAG | 230<br>GTTTTCCAGT | 240<br>AGCACCTCAA |
| 250<br>GTGCCTCTAA | 260<br>GGCCAATGAC | 270<br>CTATAAAGGA | 280<br>GCATTTGACC | 290<br>TCAGCTTCTT | 300<br>TTTAAAAGAA |
| 310<br>AAGGGAGGAC | 320<br>TGGAAGGGTT | 330<br>AATTTACTCC | 340<br>CATAAAAGAG | 350<br>CAGAAATCCT | 360<br>GGATCTTTGG |

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or the complement thereof.

39. The process of claim 31 wherein the DNA probe corresponds to the nucleotide sequence coding for proteins p12, p16 or p25 of the HIV-3 retrovirus or the complement thereof.